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For: **RECYCLABLE, RUBBER-LIKE THERMOPLASTIC BACKING  
MATERIAL USED IN A THROW-IN MAT FOR A VEHICLE FLOOR**

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Dear Madam:

This paper responds to the Final Office Action in the above-entitled application, mailed December 23, 2004. This response is being filed within the two-month time period as to invoke an Advisory Action.

The Applicants will address all the points raised by the Examiner and demonstrate that the present invention is patentable. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows: